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## Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification-Notification of Changes

June 14, 2016

## Ladies and Gentlemen:

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Under the authority of Maine statute 12 M.R.S.A., Chapter 607, Section 6172; the Commissioner has made the following classification change to Area No. 100-A, South Berwick to Bristol; this notice reposts the reduction of Exception 100-A-09 due to technical issues with the original posting on June 10, 2016. Species specific Exception Areas are defined in the text and are subject to strict sampling requirements that ensure the safety of harvested product. Bivalve shellfish may be wet stored by certified dealers who are located in an exception area and currently hold a valid wet storage permit issued by the Department in accordance with DMR Regulations 15.32 to 15.35. All existing pollution and red tide/PSP closures remain in effect.

The boundary descriptions of the area are as follows (struck text is being removed and underlined text is being added):

A. Effective immediately, because of paralytic shellfish poisoning (PSP), it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any mussels, European oysters (*Ostrea edulis*), or carnivorous snails from the shores, flats and waters of the following areas:

East of a line drawn south from the Maine/New Hampshire border to the limit of U.S. jurisdiction; AND west of a line drawn south from the southernmost tip of Pemaguid Point (Bristol) to the limit of U.S. jurisdiction.

EXCEPTION 100-A-01: mussels, European oysters (*Ostrea edulis*) and carnivorous snails may be harvested north of Route 103 (Eliot/Kittery).

EXCEPTION 100-A-02: Aquaculture lease site CAS-BA2

EXCEPTION 100-A-04: mussels may be harvested west of the Gurnet Bridge – Rt. 24 (Harpswell/Brunswick) and north of a line beginning on the shore at the end of Long Reach Rd. (Brunswick) running east to the opposite shore on Sebascodegan Great Island (Harpswell).

EXCEPTION 100-A-05: mussels, European oysters (*Ostrea edulis*) and carnivorous snails may be harvested within the boundaries of Reid State Park (Georgetown).

EXCEPTION 100-A-08: mussels, European oysters (*Ostrea edulis*) and carnivorous snails may be harvested north of a line beginning at the end of Five Islands Road (Georgetown) running east to the Hendricks Head light (Southport); AND east of Rte 127 bridge (Woolwich/Arrowsic).

EXCEPTION 100-A-09: mussels, European oysters (*Ostrea edulis*) and carnivorous snails may be harvested north of a line beginning at the northern tip of Farnham Point (East Boothbay), running southeast to Foster Point (Rutherford Island); AND north of a line beginning at the southern tip of Shipley Point (Rutherford Island) running northeast to Fish Point (Bristol). the southeast tip of Linekin Neck (Boothbay), then running east to the southernmost tip of Pemaquid Point (Bristol).

EXCEPTION 100-A-10: mussels, Aquaculture lease site CAS-BASK.

EXCEPTION 100-A-12: mussels, Aquaculture lease site CAS-LONG.

# EXCEPTION 100-A-13: European oysters (Ostrea edulis), Aquaculture lease site CAS-BC.

If you have questions, please contact Angel Ripley or Kohl Kanwit, Department of Marine Resources, 194 McKown Point Road, West Boothbay Harbor, Maine 04575-0008, Tel: (207) 633-9515 or (207) 633-9535, Email: angel.ripley@maine.gov or kohl.kanwit@maine.gov. During weekends/holidays, contact the appropriate State Police barracks: from New Hampshire border to Brunswick, barracks 1-800-228-0857; from Cushing/Boothbay to Lincolnville/Belfast area, barracks 1-800-452-4664; from Belfast to Canadian border, barracks 1-800-432-7381. This notice can be viewed on the Department's website at: http://www.maine.gov/dmr/rm/public health/closures/closedarea.htm . This information is also recorded on our

HOTLINE (207-624-7727 OR 1-800-232-4733).

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Commissioner's Designee - Director, Bureau of Public Health

8:45 AM (Effective Time)

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